Application No. 09/673,666 Reply to Office Action of September 17, 2003

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** 

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 13-24 are pending in this application. Claims 13-24 are allowed. The outstanding Office Action indicated minor objections that are now addressed.

First, applicants do not believe that any alterations have been made to the Declaration subsequent to an inventor's signature.

A new Abstract is also submitted herein to address the objection noted in paragraph 1 of the Office Action.

The specification is also amended by the present response to include appropriate headings, to address the objection noted in paragraph 2 of the Office Action.

As no other issues were raised in the outstanding Office Action, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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